Child or Spousal Support - Earnings Withholding

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law providing that if an obligor is in arrears in child or spousal support payments for more than 30 days the recipient of child or spousal support or the support enforcement agency may file a petition for a lien on the earnings of the obligor, and the may order a lien under specific circumstances; providing that under certain circumstances certain court orders constitute an immediate and continuing withholding order on the earnings of an individual obligated to spousal support; requiring certain support orders modification of support orders to contain certain statements; providing that the earnings withholding shall be of a certain amount; providing that the court may not serve a copy of the earnings withholding order on an employer until the happening of certain events; providing for the filing and contents of a certain motion; providing certain fines--upon--conviction--of penalties for certain offenses; providing for the service and effect of certain court orders on certain employers; providing for the contents of certain orders; providing for the priority of an withholding earnings withholding order over certain other liens or legal processes; providing for certain duties of employers; providing provisions against reprisals and dismissals of employees; imposing certain liability on employers who violate certain provisions of this Act; providing certain procedures if the employment of an obligor terminates; providing certain change of address procedures; providing certain procedures for an obligor to contest the issuance of an earnings withholding order; providing for the termination of certain earnings withholding orders; providing certain procedures for the enforcement of out-of-state support orders; providing certain procedures for the enforcement of support orders if the obligor or employer of the obligor is located outside of this State; and generally relating to child and spousal support and withholding of earnings.

BY repealing

Article - Family Law
Section 10-120 through 10-126, inclusive, and the part "Part
III. Lien on Earnings for Arrearage"
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Volume)

BY adding to

Article - Family Law
Section 10-120 through 10-134, inclusive, and the part "Part
III. Child and Spousal Support - Earnings
Withholding"
Annotated Code of Maryland

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